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Santa Ana winds knocked out power to more than 450,000 Southern California Edison customers on Wednesday night. Roaring gusts, maxing out at 97 mph, caused downed power lines, fallen trees, outages and extensive damage to private property.

The County declared a State of Emergency in response to the devastation caused by the windstorms as did the cities of Pasadena, Sierra Madre, San Gabriel, Temple City, Glendora, Arcadia, Alhambra, San Marino and Monrovia. As recovery efforts continue, the unincorporated communities of Altadena, La Crescenta, San Gabriel, Monrovia, East Pasadena and Temple City continue to work together with neighboring cities to respond to and pull through this disaster. However, Southern California Edison's (SCE) response and recovery efforts have not been well communicated to the public. SCE's customer assistance during these windstorms has been poor.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE that Board of Supervisors direct the Chief Executive Office to draft a five-signature letter to the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) requesting that utility companies, like Southern California Edison (SCE), develop an efficient and coordinated emergency management system that better focuses on customer and community outreach.

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